

MEMPHIANS VISIT BURKBURNETT

Mr. W. L. Eichberg and Mr. W. C. Wilborn, 189 Jefferson and 4 N. Front, respectively, have just returned from the Burk Burnett oil field. Both of these gentlemen are stockholders in Texas & Interstate Petroleum Company, and made the trip on their own initiative. Below is a letter from Mr. Eichberg. One from Mr. Wilborn will follow.

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Mr. O. P. Stephens,
636 Goodwyn Institute, Memphis, Tenn.

Fort Worth, Texas, Nov. 12, 1919.

Dear Sir—I went out to Burk Burnett, where our Company has its holdings. We made the trip from Wichita Falls in an automobile, got stuck in the mud and had to be pulled out; the roads were in some places almost impassable, and for that reason we did not get to go as many places and see as much as we desired to, but as a whole my trip was a pleasant one, and I unreservedly recommend our Company to anyone who wants to make an investment in it.

I believe this Company is managed by competent, responsible men. I believe they are doing all in their power to make this Company a success, and I can say without reserve that anyone who invests with them will receive a square deal.

I learned Mr. Crofford, the President, and Mr. Kean, the Vice-President, were receiving a salary of three hundred dollars each per month. I want to say, in justice to them, that I would not take their job for twice their salary—and if the balance of the stockholders could be on the ground and see how these gentlemen work and the hardships and inconveniences they undergo, I am sure they would agree with me.

I also found, to my entire satisfaction, that the officers of this Company paid cash for their stock just the same as I did, so there is no question but that we are getting an even break. The only question is, do you want to make an oil investment? If you do, I believe this is the best proposition offering stock for sale today. I believe it so strongly that I think you will sell all the stock in one hour if the people of Memphis had seen what I have, and know these facts as I know them.

I was among the first ones in Memphis to purchase some of this stock; later I bought some more, and when I get back I will purchase every dollar's worth I can carry.

They are paying regular monthly dividends of 2%, and from what I have seen, they would be justified in raising the price of the stock immediately, as any business man knows that stock paying such a dividend, with tangible assets behind it, is worth much more than par.

There are all kinds of investment propositions out in the oil fields, but, taking everything into consideration, I believe we have the best proposition in Texas, and to my friends I would say buy this stock today at par—tomorrow may be too late.

The only interest I have in this Company is as a stockholder. I do not receive a cent commission from the sale of stock, and the Company did not pay one cent of my expenses in making this investigation.

Yours very truly,

W. L. EICHBERG.

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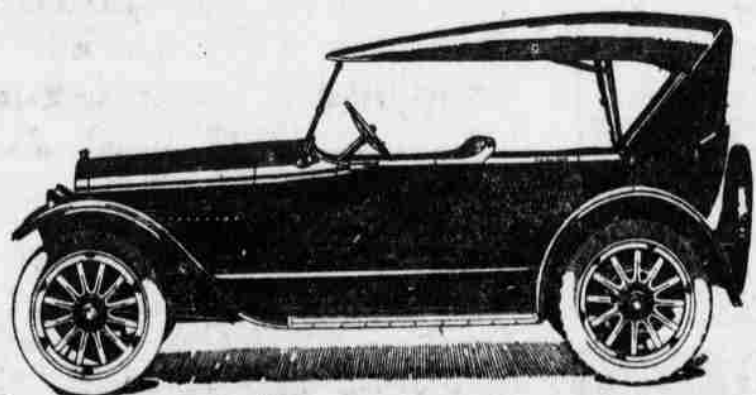
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FARMERS PROTEST BIG ASSESSMENTS

Constitutionality of Act Creating State Board Is Widely Rumored.

Farmers are up in arms against the big assessments being made by the state board in Shelby county; not because they are being assessed at full valuation of their properties, but the fears that the county court will not reduce the rate sufficient to lower the amount of taxes in bulk they will have to pay.

Threats of filing a suit testing the constitutionality of the act creating the public utilities commission or state board of equalization, and its right to make assessment of county properties are being made. Others also are talking of filing taxpaying suits at the time the county court is to fix the next tax rate if the court fails to lower the rate to correspond with the increased assessment and keep the taxes within the budget, based on the present budget.

They say the court must do this; that there is no necessity of getting in any more taxes than the needs of the county justify and that the county will need no more taxes the coming year than are collected this year.

A majority of the farmers say they are not opposing the increased assessment being made by the state board; they say the uncertainty as to whether the county court will lower the rate to correspond is what is worrying them.

Some of the farmers are claiming that the high taxes, if the rate is not reduced to correspond with the assessment to not more than 40 cents, state and county on the present assessment now being made, they will be forced to throw their property on the market for sale and that will depreciate the value of same.

"We are willing to pay the same taxes in 1920 that we are paying in 1919," one farmer says, "but we are not willing to pay more unless it is shown that the county cannot do without the increased amount of taxes."

**DE VALERA TO TELL
OF IRISH OPPRESSION**
When Eamon De Valera, president of the Irish republic, speaks before a Memphis audience Dec. 4 he will probably tell of the way the Irish insurgents were herded with convicts, thieves and murderers in the prisons of England, following the rebellion of Easter week, 1916.

De Valera was born in New York city Oct. 14, 1882, but returned to Ireland with his widowed mother less than three years of age. There he was educated and soon became a mathematical prodigy. Later he was a linguist and was regarded as one of the most brilliant scholars in the land.

The president of the Irish republic has established headquarters in New York city and is making a tour of the states, preaching the gospel of liberty for Ireland and enlisting the aid of loyal "sons of the soil" who are being completed in Memphis for a hearty reception on the occasion of his visit. Prominent Irishmen will individually and collectively assure him their support in his tremendous undertaking.

Earl Wade Wants Both Parents, But Misses Pal Emily

BY MEMORY M'CORD.

"Oh, yes, there he is, the cute little thing," said a group of nicely dressed women, pouncing upon a small boy in the juvenile courtroom Friday afternoon.

"Cunning, now, isn't he?" they gushed, kissing the bewildered little fellow and saying "It wants its mama, now, doesn't it?"

Earl Brewer Wade—for it was he—refused to answer. Entirely too much had happened lately for his six-year-old mind to grasp. First, mama and daddy had quarreled and then grandmother had arrived from Texas; the juvenile court had taken him into custody.

It all seemed queer and unnecessary he thought, still, it had been fun living out with Mrs. W. S. Hyde, 1387 S. Orleans street, for life out there held Emily. Who? she—why the cutest little girl with big brown eyes and long yellow curls. He always shared all of his candy and apples with Emily and she did likewise, sharing hers with him. He cried when he couldn't go back to her, but somehow he had found that he couldn't do anything but just sit still and wait.

It seemed a long time, too, since that day grandmother took him away from Emily's in the huge automobile and rode him down to the station. There he and she climbed into a "chu-chu," but a man came down and ordered him out. Later, grandmother was "rested and charged with contempt of court."

That was what Judge Gabela said when he "explained" that grandmother had no right to take him away. Monday morning at 9:30 he will make his decision.

And, oh, my—here was mama. Sobbing, the mother rushed forth flinging herself to her knees and resting her head upon her son's tiny shoulder. Softly the kid shifted his body so as to bear the weight and kindly patted the crown of her huge picture hat. Once he even used his handkerchief to wipe away a tear that, cross-creased his mother's nostril. Still he spoke not at all and the talk around him appeared to make little or no impression.

Mrs. Irene Robinson Wade, mother of the boy, who admits attempting to assist her boy's grandmother, Mrs. W. S. Robinson, in removing Earl from a kindergarten where he was placed by the juvenile court, is a nice-looking woman, not pretty, but attractive. All through the trial Friday afternoon of the alleged contempt case against her-

self and her mother, she wept, and always the eyes of her husband were upon her. They seemed very much alike in temperament these two—both appearing to want a fight to the finish to regain custody of the boy. As for small Earl he says:

"I don't want just one, I want my mama and my daddy. I was most happy, though with Emily."

According to Judge Gabela the contempt case will be decided early Monday morning and soon afterward Earl's case will be ruled upon. He says, "I mean to consider only Earl—to make up my mind what is best for him and then to do it. As for the parents, they have lived much of their lives and if they are sad now, it can't be helped, but Earl shall have a fair chance—the best I can give him—to become a normal, happy healthy child."

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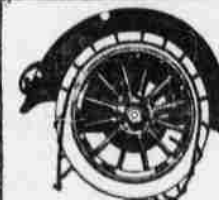
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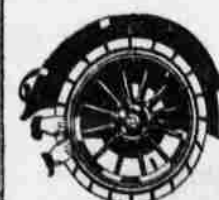
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